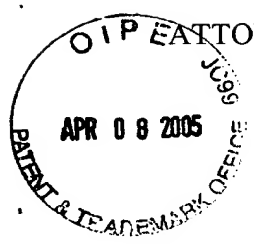


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In response to the Office Action mailed January 7, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the comments set forth below.